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REMARKS - General

Claim Objections:

The Office Action (OA) objects to claim 8, as it depends from itself. Applicant notes that due to an inadvertent, Microsoft "auto format" text change, the claim, which should have depended from claim 7, depended from claim 8. Applicant has corrected this inadvertent typographical error by amendment.

Claim Rejections:

The OA rejects claims 1-7 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Potega, US Pat. No. 6,459,175. Specifically, the OA submits that Potega teaches "...a power supply that dtects the power requirements of an electrical device and configures itself to provide the correct power to the device." The OA notes that Potega fails to teach a memory in the cable, but asserts that it would be obvious to move a memory located in the battery into the cable.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite the limitations of claim 2. Support for the amendment is found in claim 2 as originally filed. Applicant respectfully submits that Potega fails to teach a device specific connector for coupling to a host device. Quite to the contrary, Potega teaches a cable that is fixed at one end to the power supply, and which has a "universal connector" at the other end. See, e.g., col. 14, lines 24-29 and col. 48, lines 2-9. As Potega fails to teach all of Applicant's claimed limitations, Applicant respectfully submits that the §103 rejection is overcome. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendment and these comments.

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CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, Applicants believe the specification and claims are now in proper form, and that the claims all define patentably over the prior art. Applicants believe this application is now in condition for allowance, for which they respectfully submit.

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